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## BOOK GROUPS IN ENGLISH 8

### SELF-DOUBT AND SELF-ACCEPTANCE

Again, this quarter in English, you will have book groups. You should read over the book “blurbs,” and select the book that you NEED to read! Consider your interests, the page lengths of the books as well as the complexity of the texts. The books are listed in order of difficulty from grade level to above grade level. CIRCLE YOUR SELECTION!

1. The Skin I'm In by Sharon G. Flake (176 pages)

Maleeka Madison struggles against the burden of low self-esteem based on her skin color and is buoyed up by Miss Sanders. Through this, Maleeka learns to stand up to a tough-talking peer.

2. Wringer by Jerry Spinelli (240 pages)

Palmer fears the tradition in his town that is passed down from father to son. How can he stop himself from becoming a wringer and stand up for himself?

3. Persepolis by Marjane Satrapi (160 pages)

The author tells her memories of the Islamic Revolution in her homeland of Iran in this black-white graphic memoir and her yearnings for freedom in restrictive environments.

4. Wonder by R. J. Palacio (315 pages)

Due to a facial deformity that prevented his early attendance at a public school, August Pullman starts fifth grade and has to cope with being new and being ridiculed.